AREAS IN WHICH THE COMMITTEE TO RESTORE CARBONDALE CITY HALL, INC. HAS ACCOMPLISHED RESULTS IN THE PAST NINE MONTHS:

BUILDING REPAIRS.

1. The tower clock of Carbondale City Hall has been repaired;

2. New electrical wiring has been installed to the sixth level of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;

3. New floor boards have been installed around the stairwells on the fourth and fifth levels of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;

4. New lancet windows are being installed on the fourth level of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;

5. The clock tower of Carbondale City Hall has been secured against pigeons and starlings. Over seven tons of bird manure have been removed from the fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh levels of the clock tower of Carbondale City Hall;

REGISTRATION AND CERTIFICATION.

6. Carbondale City Hall has been officially listed (January 28, 1982) on the Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Buildings;

7. Carbondale City Hall has been formally nominated (June 2, 1982) for listing in the National Register of Historic Buildings;

PUBLICATION OF HISTORICAL RECORDS.

8. While cleaning in City Hall on March 20, 1982, as part of the restoration effort, John V. Buberniak, a member of the Committee, found a carbon copy of A GEOGRAPHICAL HISTORY OF THE CITIES, BOROUGHS AND TOWNSHIPS AND THEIR SUBDIVISIONS IN LACKAWANNA COUNTY COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA. This book, which is not now generally available in libraries, was sponsored by the County Commissioners and written in August 1939 as a project under the Works Progress Administration. Five facsimiles of this important book were produced by Sheffield Publications, Inc., Carbondale, for the Committee, free of charge, and were, on April 2, 1982, presented to the Carbondale Historical Society/Carbondale Public Library, the Lackawanna Historical Society, the Scranton Public Library, the Carbondale Area High School Library, and the Sacred Heart High School Library.

HISTORIC SITE TOURS.

9. Members of the Committee conducted a walking tour (May 29, 1982) of the roadbed of the "light track" of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Gravity Railroad, from White's Crossing to Panther's Bluffs, and documented, photographically, this historic site.

RESEARCH.

10. Nine articles on the history of Carbondale (a four-part article on the history of Carbondale City Hall, two articles on Memorial Park, two articles on pioneer hose companies of Carbondale, and a biographical portrait of Carbondale's first mayor, James A. Archbald) were written by the Committee's president, S. Robert Powell, and have been published in local newspapers.

WHAT ARE THE COMMITTEE'S PLANS FOR THE NEAR FUTURE?

** The Committee is presently soliciting bids for (1) repairs to the roof on the south side of the two-story wing and on the tower of Carbondale City Hall, (2) cleaning of the exterior masonry of Carbondale City Hall, and (3) repair and repointing of the exterior masonry of Carbondale City Hall. The Committee will raise the necessary funds this Summer so that the roof on the south side of the two-story wing and on the tower of Carbondale City Hall can be repaired before Winter 1982.

** The Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall will actively participate in Carbondale's Fourth Annual Pioneer Days, August 23-28, 1982. During Pioneer Days the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall will sponsor a series of educational and historical activities in Carbondale and in City Hall. Among the activities already scheduled are: (1) a slide show on the history of Carbondale by Kay and Oliver Shifler, representing the Carbondale Historical Society; (2) a slide presentation on the history of the Delaware and Hudson Canal Company's Gravity Railroad by John V. Buberniak and S. Robert Powell; (3) an illustrated lecture by Donald W. Powell, entitled "Carbondale 1851"; (4) a history of the Scranton Division of the New York, Ontario and Western Railway Company (the "O&W") by Robert J. Tomaine; (5) an illustrated history of Dorflinger glass and glassmaking in northeastern Pennsylvania by Kurt A. Reed. Also scheduled by the Committee during Pioneer Days are seminars on railroads and the early schools of Carbondale. In addition, two films will be shown: (1) "The Canaller"; (2) "What Is A Museum?," produced by the Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission. Plans are also being formulated by members of the three theatre companies in Carbondale and the Committee to Restore Carbondale City Hall for street theatre performances in Carbondale during Pioneer Days. The performances by the West Side Players will be coordinated by Ralph Perry and Ann Marie Scarpino.